

# BOXING GAINS SPORT SPOTLIGHT THROUGH BOUTS IN ENGLAND

### First Game to Assume International Importance at End of War—London Tourney Interesting

#### MANY UPSETS ABROAD

By JAMES S. CAROLAN  
BOXING is having its inning. For the first time since prewar days the glove game is in the limelight, the glare, the calcium. It is THE SPORT at present.

As soon as this country became engaged in the war all sports seemed due for a setback. Then along came the introduction in the many military and naval camps and soon it was the most popular and beneficial sport in the service. Doctor Hayeroff, chairman of the War Department committee on athletic training, only a few days ago made a statement on the value of the ring game in training fighting men for the big fight in France.

Today, with universal peace near, boxing is the first sport to assume international importance. The wonderful international tourney now in progress in London is evidence of its popularity. The heads of regal, civil, naval and military life are in attendance. It is the biggest sporting event of its kind ever staged.

Glance through the records and show where so many fists, notable from all parts of the world ever engaged in one gigantic, mammoth carnival. It cannot be done. It never happened. Often have promoters dreamed of staging such an all-star cast, but only government heads are able to put on such a show.

The best boxing men in all branches of the service in the Allied cause now are in London. There have been many surprises, a few of the favorite American boxers falling by the wayside. Just the ones we expected to remain for the finish have been eliminated and the ones we picked to pass out in the first preliminary still are lingering. We wonder how many of the present winners gained their first knowledge of boxing after entering the service.

Nothing could have done more to stimulate interest in international boxing than the present tourney. It also has served to bring forth men never before known to exist. Who ever dreamed that Sergeant Ring, of the British army, would take the measure of Harry Greb, one of our leading and respected light heavyweights? First Harry downed a corporal from South Africa, but the Sergeant proved a little too good. Harry's advance was too rapid. We fear to predict what would have happened had he engaged a commissioned man.

Just one year ago Ritchie Mitchell, of Milwaukee, was looked upon as the successor to Benny Leonard as the lightweight king. Leonard even now admits that he feared his battle with Mitchell more than that against any man he ever

made the flyweight king of the British Isles battle.

Jimmy White has been regarded here with doubt. He twice downed American boys, but neither of his opponents were regarded as first-class men. Joe Lynch was recognized as one of our very best bantams. Joe lost on points, but he

made the flyweight king of the British Isles battle.

Just one month after the signing of the armistice, the Allies are found fighting among themselves. The victorious Allies, filled with the fighting spirit, still battle.

### Results of Bouts in International Tourney

**PRELIMINARIES**  
Middleweight  
Mike O'Dowd, American army, defeated Harold Ralph, Canadian  
Light Heavyweight  
Eddie McGoorty, American army, defeated Chorrock, South Africa  
**SEMI-FINALS**  
Flyweight  
E. O. Brown, American army, defeated J. Ferrel, British army  
Bantamweight  
Pal Moore, American navy, defeated Johnny Hughes, British army  
Featherweight  
Eddie Coulon, American army, defeated Private Feals, Australia  
Lightweight  
Cal Delaney, American navy, defeated Quartermaster Sergeant Evans, British army  
Middleweight  
Angie Rafter, American army, defeated Private Blanchard, Canadian  
Light Heavyweight  
Sergeant Ring, British army, defeated Harry Greb, American navy

opposed. Here we have a seemingly unknown boy, Miller, a sergeant instructor in the British navy, eliminate him in the second bout.

Followers of American boxers are familiar with the class of their own performers. They have read of Harry Greb, Mike O'Dowd, Eddie McGoorty, Eddie Coulon, Cal Delaney, Ritchie Mitchell and many other boys in the Anglo-American competition. They know their worth.

These same fans at different times have read of the results of boxing in London rings, but carelessly glanced at the outcome and passed it off with a "Well, I guess they're fair; wish them luck; don't class with our boys."

This same thought is only too prevalent. Many foreign boxers have exhibited in this country, and disaster, as a rule, has fallen in their wake. Very few boys from across the pond who have come here in recent years have made good. There was Freddy Welsh, but Welsh was more American than English when he won the title. Ted (Kid) Lewis, Eddie Morgan, Matt Wells, Owen Moran and Spitz Robson are other boys who made good here. There may be others, but these are the only ones we recall at present.

This tourney will serve to give the American fans an excellent line on the

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